

One Embarcadero Center • San Francisco, CA 94111

415/398-4510

FAX 415/398-4816

VIA AIR COURIER

April 14, 1997

Mr. Vernon Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001

Prilar parament in the

Termination of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of March 18, RE: 1997 ("Termination of Lease") by Helm Financial Corporation.

Dear Mr. Williams:

On behalf of Helm Financial Corporation, I submit for filing and recording, under 49 U.S.C. Section 11303(a) and the regulations promulgated thereunder the following document:

Two (2) fully-executed originals of the above-referenced Termination of Lease by Helm Financial Corporation.

In connection with the recording of the Termination of Lease, please note the following information:

Name and Address of Lessor:

Helm Financial Corporation

One Embarcadero Center, Suite 3700

San Francisco, CA 94111

Name and Address of Lessee:

The Kansas City Southern

Railway Company

114 West Eleventh Street Kansas City, MO 64105

<u>Equipment:</u>

Five (5) GP38 locomotives (See attached Schedule A to the Termination of Lease

for reporting mark and numbers.)

Previous ICC Filing:

of Locomotive Memorandum Agreement filed on November 24, 1995

under Recordation No. 19727.

Please file the Termination of Lease as a supplementary document and return one (1) endorsed original to my attention. A check covering the filing fee of \$24.00 is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Patrick Hapin

Document Administrator

Enclosures (2)

RCS011.00

RECORDATION NO. 1972 FILED

APR 1 5 '97 10-44 AM

TERMINATION OF LEASE

THIS TERMINATION OF LEASE OF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT ("Termination") is made as of March 18, 1997 by HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION, a California corporation ("Lessor").

1. Recitals. Lessor entered into the Locomotive Lease Agreement dated as of September 1, 1995 (the "Lease") with The Kansas City Southern Railway Company, a Missouri corporation, with respect to the five (5) locomotives described in Schedule A attached hereto. The Lease is on file at the Surface Transportation Board of the Department of Transportation ("STB") under STB Recordation Number 19727 filed on November 24, 1995 at 12:10 p.m.

The Lease was terminated on April 2, 1996. The purpose of this Termination of Lease is to provide a formal termination document for filing with the STB.

2. <u>Termination</u>. The Lease is hereby formally terminated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor, pursuant to due corporate authority, has caused this Termination of Lease to be signed in its corporate name on the date indicated below its signature.

HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION

& By: Mem & Dains

Title ! Senior Vice President & CEO

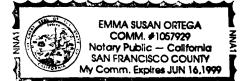
Date: 18 March 197

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) S.S.
COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO)

on 19th March, 1997, before me, Emma S. Chtega - Notary Public personally appeared John F. Dains, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION,

✓ personally known to me -OR-

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.



Witness my hand and official seal.

SIGNATURE OF THE NOTARY

ph:03/18/97

SCHEDULE A

Description of the Units:

Five (5) GP38 Locomotives

Unit Numbers:

HLCX 3608

HLCX 3610

HLCX 3612

HLCX 3615

HLCX 3680